

# DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC HEALTH



COUNTY OF SAN BERNARDINO

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## NOTICE OF INTENT TO REQUEST RELEASE OF FUNDS

**Date of Notice: February 23rd, 2007**

**PR #: 06-80**

Name of Responsible Entity: San Bernardino County Department of Public Health  
Address: 120 Carousel Mall, San Bernardino CA 92415

Telephone Number of Program Supervisor: (909) 388-0400

On or about **March 2nd**, 2007 the San Bernardino County Department of Public Health will submit a request to the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) for the release of the Lead-Based Paint Hazard Control Grant Program, authorized by Sec. 1011 of the Housing and Community Development Act of 1992, Public Law 102-550, and funded through the Consolidated Appropriations Act of 2006, Public Law 108-477, for the following program/project: Lead-Based Paint Hazard Control Grant, for the purpose of providing lead-based paint hazard reduction through interim controls or hazard abatement, of existing privately owned residential units for low-income families; within the boundaries of the County of San Bernardino and with Community Action Partnership as the primary sub-grantee. The San Bernardino County Department of Public Health is requesting the release of \$3,000,000 in Federal assistance and match amount of \$652,882 for the period of performance from 11/1/2006 through 10/31/2009 .

The proposed hazard control activities to be funded under this/these program(s) is/are categorically excluded from the National Environmental Policy Act requirements, but subject to compliance with some of the environmental laws and authorities listed at § 58.5 of 24 CFR Part 58. In accordance with §58.15, a tiered review process has been structured, whereby some environmental laws and authorities have been reviewed and studied for the intended target area(s) listed above. Other applicable environmental laws and authorities will be complied with, when individual projects are ready for review. Specifically, the target area(s) has/have been studied and compliance with the following laws and authorities has been established in this first tier: Floodplain Management, Coastal Barriers Resource Act, Coastal Zone Management Act. Compliance with the following environmental laws and authorities will take place for proposed projects funded under the program(s) listed above: Historic Preservation, National Flood Insurance Program requirements, Explosive & Flammable Operations, toxics/hazardous materials. Should individual aggregate projects exceed the threshold for categorical exclusion detailed at §58.35(a), an Environmental Assessment will be completed and a separate Finding of No Significant Impact and Request For Release Of Funds published. Copies of the compliance documentation worksheets are available at the address below.

MARK UFFER  
County Administrative Officer

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An Environmental Review Record (ERR) that documents the environmental determinations for this project, and more fully describes the tiered review process cited above, is on file at 120 Carousel Mall, San Bernardino CA 92415 and may be examined or copied weekdays 8:00a.m. to 5:00 p.m.

#### PUBLIC COMMENTS

Any individual, group, or agency may submit written comments on the ERR to the San Bernardino County Department of Public Health. All comments received by **March 2nd, 2007** will be considered by San Bernardino County Department of Public Health prior to authorizing submission of a Request for Release Of Funds and Certification to HUD.

#### RELEASE OF FUNDS

The San Bernardino County Department of Public Health certifies to HUD that Mr. Paul Biane in his official capacity as Chairman of the Board of Supervisors, consents to accept the jurisdiction of the Federal Courts if an action is brought to enforce responsibilities in relation to the environmental review process and that these responsibilities have been satisfied. HUD's approval of the certification satisfies its responsibilities under NEPA and related laws and authorities, and allows the San Bernardino County Department of Public Health to utilize federal funds and implement the Program.

#### OBJECTIONS TO RELEASE OF FUNDS

HUD will consider objections to its release of funds and the San Bernardino County Department of Public Health certification for a period of fifteen days following either the anticipated submission date (cited above) or HUD's actual receipt of the request (whichever is later) only if the objections are on one of the following bases: (a) that the Certification was not executed by the Certifying Officer of the San Bernardino County Department of Public Health; (b) the San Bernardino County Department of Public Health has omitted a step or failed to make a decision or finding required by HUD regulations at 24 CFR Part 58; (c) the San Bernardino County Department of Public Health has committed funds or incurred costs not authorized by 24 CFR Part 58 before approval of a release of funds by HUD; (d) another Federal agency acting pursuant to 40 CFR Part 1504 has submitted a written finding that the project is unsatisfactory from the standpoint of environmental quality. Objections must be prepared and submitted in accordance with the required procedures (24 CFR Part 58), and may be addressed to HUD as follows: U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development, Ed Thomas, Environmental Clearance Officer, The Wanamaker Building, 100 Penn Square East, Philadelphia, PA 19107-3380. Potential objectors may contact HUD to verify the actual last day of the objection period.

Name of grantee: San Bernardino County Department of Public Health. Certifying Officer: Mr. Paul Biane, Chairman of the Board of Supervisors.

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